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REUSABLE SATELLITES LAUNCHERS
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to make reusable satellites and satellite launchers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total expenditure involved therein;

(d) the targets fixed in this regard; and

(e) by when such satellites are likely to be launched?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE):

(a)&(b) ISRO has initiated preliminary studies towards feasibility of a technologydemonstrator for a reusable launch vehicle. The studies are towards identification of various technologies involved for the purpose.

(c) The expenditure and schedule will be evolved as part of the studies.

(d)&(e) The research and development towards the technology demonstrator is planned to be initiated during the tenth plan period.